State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a chronic, progressive disorder of the

nervous system that affects movement for which there is

currently no cure; and

one million people in the United States are currently living WHEREAS,

> with Parkinson's disease with an additional 50,000-60,000 new cases diagnosed each year, making Parkinson's disease the 14th leading cause of death in the US according to the

Centers for Disease Control: and

WHEREAS, every day the American Parkinson Disease Association

> provides the support, education, and research that will help everyone impacted by Parkinson's disease live life to the fullest, through research, patient and family services,

education and more; and

WHEREAS, increased efforts and awareness are desperately needed to help

> expedite the research efforts into better treatments, medications and ultimately a cure, as well as enhanced programs and services to help those impacted by Parkinson's

disease live life to the fullest until a cure is found; and

Vermont recognizes the efforts of the Vermont Chapter of the WHEREAS,

> APDA to raise funds and promote awareness to fight Parkinson's disease, thereby improving the quality of life for

those living with the disease.

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 2019 as NOW, THEREFORE,

PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 28th day of March, A.D. 2019.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs